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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

GADDINI ELECTED STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

CHARLESTON -- Michelle Gaddini, daughter of Richard and Nancy Gaddini of Lisle, officially began her duties as Eastern Illinois University's Student Body President on July 1.

As chief executive officer of the student body, Gaddini will be responsible for the executive branch as well as the legislative and judicial branches of student government. She also will serve as an official representative of the student body at any function within or outside of the university.

Gaddini's involvement in campus activities is extensive. She is president of the Mid-American Panhellenic Council Association (MAPCA), an organization comprised of Panhellenic members from more than 200 colleges and universities in 16 states. As president, Gaddini coordinates MAPCA activities with the officers and provides leadership. She is the student liaison with the National Panhellenic Conference, presiding over the annual conference, and travels upon request and speaks at other area conferences.

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Gaddini also is vice president for alumnae relations for Sigma Kappa social sorority. She maintains the chapter's relationship with all alumnae, and promotes lifetime involvement in Sigma Kappa and the Sigma Kappa Foundation. She is a member of the executive council and supervises the chapter's philanthropy chair. Gaddini is a three-year member of Sigma Kappa and just completed her duties as executive vice president.

Gaddini's greek activities this spring extended to membership on the overall Greek Week Steering Committee, where she was in charge of all sporting events during Greek Week.

This spring, she was chosen by the Panhellenic delegates as one of the top ten greek women in a nine chapter sorority system with more than 1,000 women members.

In recognition of outstanding merit and accomplishment as a student, Gaddini was one of 48 out of 400 students chosen by EIU to be recognized in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

In addition, Gaddini is a member of the Honorary Order of Omega, Alpha Theta chapter. The top 6 percent of greeks on Eastern's campus belong to the organization.

A 1992 graduate of Lisle Senior High School, Gaddini is a senior speech communication and political science major at Eastern.

Eastern, located in Charleston, is a public, residential university that places

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priority on teaching excellence. Approximately 10,700 on-campus students are enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs. Non-traditional and part-time students are enrolled in programs at both on and off-campus sites. University faculty are involved in a wide range of research and public service activities.